

TO SAVE FAMILY HE ROBBED MAIL.

Ex-Postal Employee, Whose Wife and Children Were in Want, Steals Letters.

14 YEARS A CARRIER.

His Bulging Pockets Betrayed Him to Detectives Who Find Letters in His Possession.

Driven desperate by lack of money, loss of position and the craving for the drink that lost him his position as a United States letter carrier, John F. Cross, of No. 10 West Ninety-fifth street, was arrested last night charged with robbing the United States mails. This morning he was taken before United States Commissioner Hiscock and waiting examination was held in \$1000 bail to await the Federal Grand Jury.

The arrest of Cross followed what is believed to be his first criminal offense. For the past fourteen years he has been employed as a letter carrier in this city, and until last November was regarded as a hard-working, upright and able employee.

Some time prior to the time of his dismissal he commenced drinking heavily, and was finally discharged for being intoxicated while on duty. Since that time he has been going from bad to worse. He has a wife and three children, the eldest child only nine years old, and after his discharge by the Post-Office authorities he endeavored to support them by retailing the express wagon, but he failed in this and has been for the past week reduced to desperate straits.

It is believed that he entered the main Post-Office from the Mail street side early last evening when the watchman was not about and then made off with the two packages of letters that were found in his possession at the time of his arrest.

Cross was first seen by Detectives McGovern and Kehoe, of the Church street police station. They were standing on a corner when they saw Cross coming down the street with his pockets bulging with what they supposed to be mail. They followed him to a hotel at No. 15 West street, and finding the room which he had secured, tipped to it and found that there was a small hole in the door. McGovern looked in and found that Cross was seated at a table and was in the act of opening a number of letters.

The detectives burst open the door and secured their man, who made no resistance, but, looking up with a haggard face, told them that he was caught "with the goods on." There were seventy-five letters in the two packages, and at the time that he was arrested he had opened enough of them to have them in currency.

JONES STANDS ON HIS HEAD.

Felebo Mayor Then Wins a Foot Race.

TOLEDO, Sept. 22.—At a big municipal outing party held in Walbridge Park here Mayor Jones, to show that he had regained his health, stood on his head for several seconds and then dared the others in the party to imitate him. A few minutes later he entered into a foot race and won his competitors easily.

CUPID IN A SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Fair Young Teacher of Religion Taught an Older Lesson by a Pupil.

ALL NIGHT SERENAD.

Second avenue and Forty-fourth street has an aching head to-day. Two youngsters of the neighborhood were romantically married last night and the celebration which followed was so uproarious as to call out the police reserves.

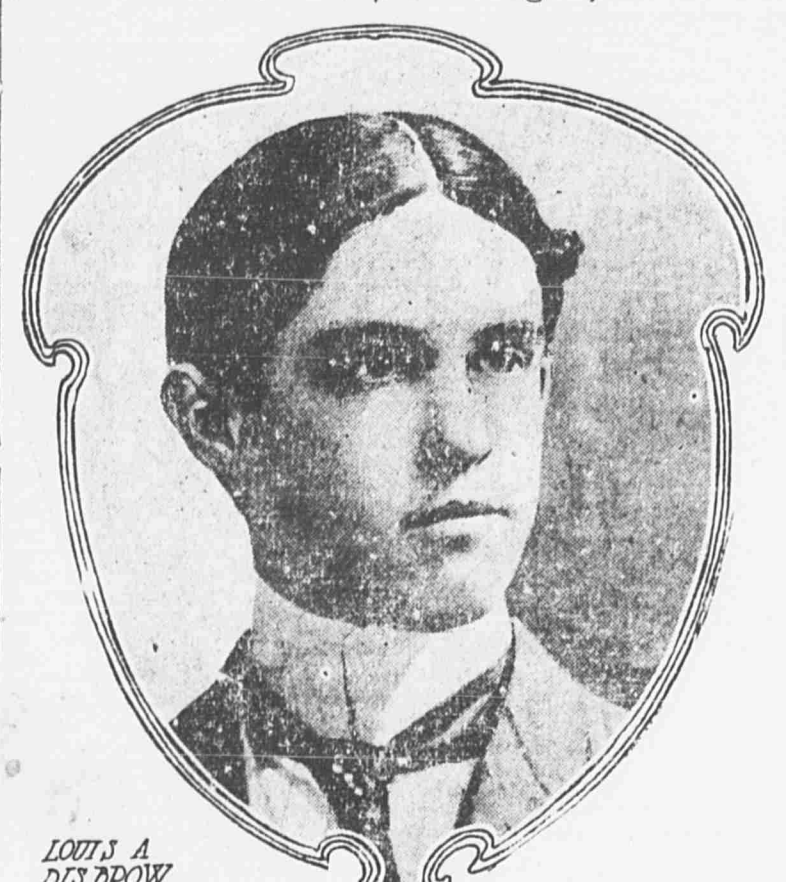
A Sunday school class in St. Bartholomew's mission was the indirect cause of it all. Miss Gussie Reese, the black-eyed seventeen-year-old daughter of Michael Reese, of No. 34 East Forty-fourth street, had a class there. Her father, a carpenter, is a well-to-do man. Religion was secondary to love in his case and he was so industrious in his chosen field that two weeks ago he and his young teacher decided to get married.

But they were timid. They did not know how to go about it. They confided in Miss Welch, superintendent of the Sunday-school. She told the Rev. Dr. South, the head of the mission, and it was arranged that they should go to the mission last night to have the knot tied.

They did, and with them went all the neighborhood for the secret had escaped. A thousand persons stood outside the mission in silence until the ceremony was over, and then when the modest couple came out they began to cheer them on their married way. With concertinas, mouth-organs and tin cans they followed the pair to the home of the Reeses. There they remained, the wedding party, until 2 o'clock this morning. They made such a racket that certain crusty old persons awakened by the police, but on investigation the occasion was considered to be worthy of a clamor.

DISBROW ANXIOUS AS CASE IS TAKEN UP BY GRAND JURY

District-Attorney Claims to Have New Evidence in the "Dimple" Tragedy.



LOUIS A. DISBROW

(Special to The Evening World.) RIVERHEAD, L. I., Sept. 22.—Interest in the "Dimple" Lawrence-Clarence Foster tragedy was revived here to-day when Supreme Court Justice Maddox swore in the Grand Jurors who will decide whether a true bill shall be found against Louis A. Disbrow, who is locked up in the Suffolk County Jail in this town, charged with being the guilty man, in the mystery that a few months ago caused such a stir.

It looked like fair day as court opened, the streets being crowded and the roads leading to the court-house lined with vehicles of those who drove here to view the preliminaries in the case.

The Jurors Called. The men summoned as Jurors were present some time before the proceedings began, and with District-Attorney Livingston Smith and counsel for the prisoner occupied seats facing the Justice's bench.

They were regarded as persons of importance, and those of their acquaintances who could get near them did not neglect the opportunity. The Jurors were: Simon O. Benjamin, Riverhead; George F. Barr, Huntington; Charles L. Bergen, Terryville; Gaston E. Bishop, Westhampton; Frederick B. Conklin, Jamesport; Samuel Dare, Selden; Chauncey Davis, Millers Place; Samuel P. Green, West Sayville; George E. Gould, Lake Grove; Allen S. Jones, Patchogue; George F. Lefferts, Northport; Frank V. Luce, Jamesport; Lucius E. Moseley, Calverton; Frank S. Purdy, Amityville; Henry A. Piller, Manor; William B. Reeve, Mattituck; Frank O. Reeves, Riverhead; Willard O. Robinson, East Patchogue; Gideon F. Smith, Westhampton; Henry H. Schillinger, Springs; Floyd Tucker, West Islip; Isaac N. Teed, Mattituck, and J. Van Orden, Great Neck.

Fifty Witnesses. When the arrival of Justice Maddox

was announced, deputy sheriffs took positions near them, while fifty witnesses were marshaled to one side of the apartment and similarly guarded. Among the latter were two experts, who last week examined the body of Clarence Foster and carried away the skull. The District-Attorney was a very busy man from the time he arrived in town. He seemed confident of success, and while discussing the matter. "I have a perfect case against Disbrow, and will present evidence which the prisoner will find hard to contradict. There have been developments since the coroner's inquest and we have new facts to rely on."

Disbrow Hopeful. It is supposed that District-Attorney Smith alluded to the testimony of the experts, and the strong here is on edge for a new sensation. Lawyer Rowland Miles, counsel for Disbrow, was equally confident that his client would go free. "We have not been idle and are ready to meet any point made against Disbrow," he said. Mr. Miles visited Disbrow in his cell before court opened and had an earnest talk with him. The prisoner's brother, Joseph Pell Disbrow, was another caller. Disbrow during his twelve weeks of imprisonment has gained in flesh. He appeared anxious to-day and was not at all communicative, although he said that he did not expect to have to stand trial.

Miles Challenges Juror. Justice Samuel T. Maddox, in his charge to the Grand Jury, made no reference to the Disbrow case. His address consisted merely of the usual instructions as to their powers and duties that are always given to grand jurors. Rowland Miles, counsel for Disbrow, challenged one of the jurors on the ground that he was related to Foster's family. Mr. Miles argued that on this account the juror in question, Gaston E. Bishop, should not be allowed to take part in the deliberations on Disbrow's case.

Court agreed with the lawyer and ordered that Mr. Bishop should not take part in the consideration of the charges against Disbrow, but could serve on the other cases that are to come before the Grand Jury.

As soon as the Grand Jury met, District-Attorney Smith entered the jury room to lay the Disbrow case before the jury. The consideration of the case may take two or three days.

George Blair, formerly Superintendent of Outdoor Park, before Magistrate Mayo in the Centre Street Court to-day, was accused of having obtained from Thomas Cahill, a paver of No. 184 Eighty-first street, the sum of \$250 without having fulfilled his part of the conditions upon which the sum was paid.

Last January, while Blair was still in charge of the outdoor park, Cahill said that a consumptive, Jean Lewis, of No. 88 Second avenue, came to him with \$500, for which he wished to be taken care of for the rest of his life in some institution. He took him to Bellevue Hospital, whence he was sent to Blair.

Cahill said he gave Blair \$250 for the purpose of placing Lewis in St. Francis Hospital in East Fifth street, with the understanding that Blair should pay the man's board out of the money. Cahill asserts that the ex-superintendent never paid a penny.

The case was continued and Blair ordered to surrender the money upon the production of a receipt for the same by Cahill.

HURT BY CAR IN BROADWAY.

Two Men Knocked Down by a Trolley.

James H. Gillespy, forty-one years old, a school teacher, of No. 45 West Twenty-second street, and Alfred Pullman, forty years old, a linen dealer, of No. 47 Broadway, were knocked down by a Broadway car at Grand street this afternoon.

Gillespy's scalp and nose were injured. Pullman was hit about the body. Gillespy was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital and Pullman went home.

DEVERY GETS CERTIFICATE.

Plunkitt Gives Him Document Showing Election, but Contest Will Be Made.

WAR HAS ONLY BEGUN

Certificate Is Merely a Formal Document—Goodwin Will Try to Have Devery Men Thrown Out of Convention.

Credentials to the Democratic delegates elected at the primaries last week were given out to-day at Tammany Hall by Chairman George Plunkitt, of the Committee on Elections. Credentials for the Ninth were given to William S. Devery through his lieutenant, Peter J. Garvey, who appeared at Tammany Hall as Devery's representative.

This does not signify that Devery will be permitted to sit in the convention as a delegate. Acting under the orders of David B. Hill and Frank Campbell, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, Frank J. Goodwin will protest against the admission of Devery to the Committee on Credentials of the convention. The programme is to recognize Goodwin and refuse to admit Devery and his delegates.

When Senator Plunkitt called at the Bureau of Elections to-day for the Tammany credentials he found a writ of mandamus there forbidding him to take the credentials for the Thirty-fourth District. The writ has been secured by Percy Nagle, who was defeated by the Eighth Judicial District and the choosing of delegates to the convention will offer Devery another chance to show his strength.

If his showing is not good without free beer and brass band accompaniments the Tammany Committee on Elections will probably order another primary in the district on the application of Frank Goodwin. Pending the special primary Devery will be kept out of the Executive Committee.

Devery said to-day:

Will Go There. "I will go to Saratoga, and it won't be one of them four trains of four-flushers that Plunkitt the Plunk has fixed for. I'm going to Saratoga, old sport, and you can tell yer folks that Bill Devery mayn't be received with the glad hand, but his train won't start with so many bottles of champagne and arrive with so many champagne bottles, but it'll arrive all right, and there ain't no ace-high McGuire nor any two-spot high can keep him out of the convention."

Just smoke up on that. I will go down Broadway with seven brass bands and make the native corn-bushers' eyes bulge. We'll carry everything along with us, Sheriff Worden included. The boys like music, and they like the kind of music that the Bill Devery band plays. Well show 'em some marching, too."

An Inward Smile. "Bill" smiled inwardly. His sides were agitated and the chair creaked.

"Say, sport, you might get up a picture of Jerome going into the hall by one door and Bill Devery going in another."

The Tammany Hall General Committee meets on Tuesday night to ratify the action of the Executive Committee in making Charles F. Murphy leader of the Tammany Hall. The meeting will also arrange for a convention in the Eighth Judicial District to choose a successor for "Roche salts."

Mrs. Crafton, of Nutley, N. J., Took Poison When Salts Had Been Suggested and Purchased, She Supposed.

(Special to The Evening World.) NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 22.—Investigation this afternoon revealed the fact that the death of Mrs. Margaret Crafton, of Nutley, who swallowed a dose of poison thinking it was roche salts, was due to the blunder of a drug clerk in selling it to a child on a written order for "Roche salts."

Last Thursday afternoon she visited the home of Mrs. John Froboe, on Chestnut street, and while there complained that she was suffering from indigestion. Mrs. Froboe is said to have advised her that roche salts would probably help, and she bought a box of salts from a drug clerk. The clerk stated that the case and Mrs. Crafton's death were due to roche salts.

One of Mrs. Froboe's children was detailed to purchase the medicine and was given a note which called for "Roche salt." The child went to Selfridge's pharmacy, and the drug clerk, W. C. Selfridge, is said to have waited on her. The note was given to the clerk, and in return the child received a box of salts.

Mrs. Crafton returned to the home of Elizabeth Post, on William street, that night, where she lived, and the next morning took a dose of the powder. Shortly afterward she complained of severe pain and death ensued. A suit for damages will be instituted against the drugist.

CHOLERA STOPS FETES.

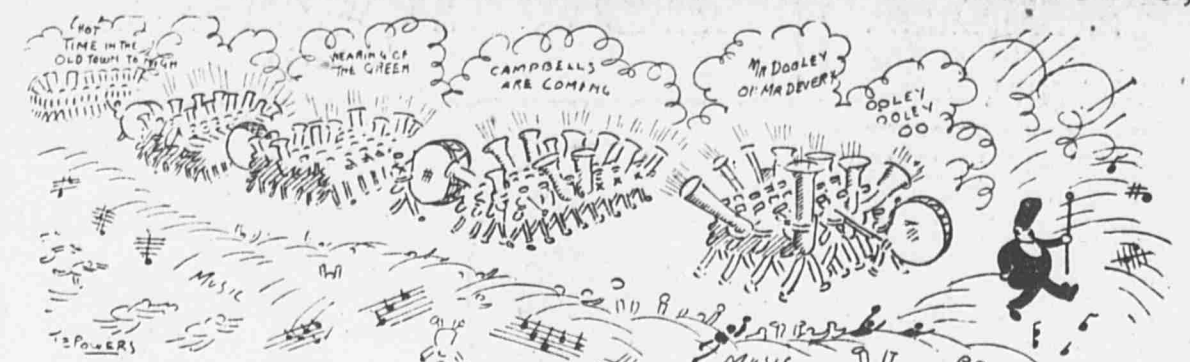
Celebration in Honor of Emperor of Corea Postponed.

SEOUL, Corea, Sept. 22.—The celebration of the anniversary of the coronation of the Emperor, Yi-Hueng, has been postponed in consequence it is officially stated, of the spread of cholera in the city.

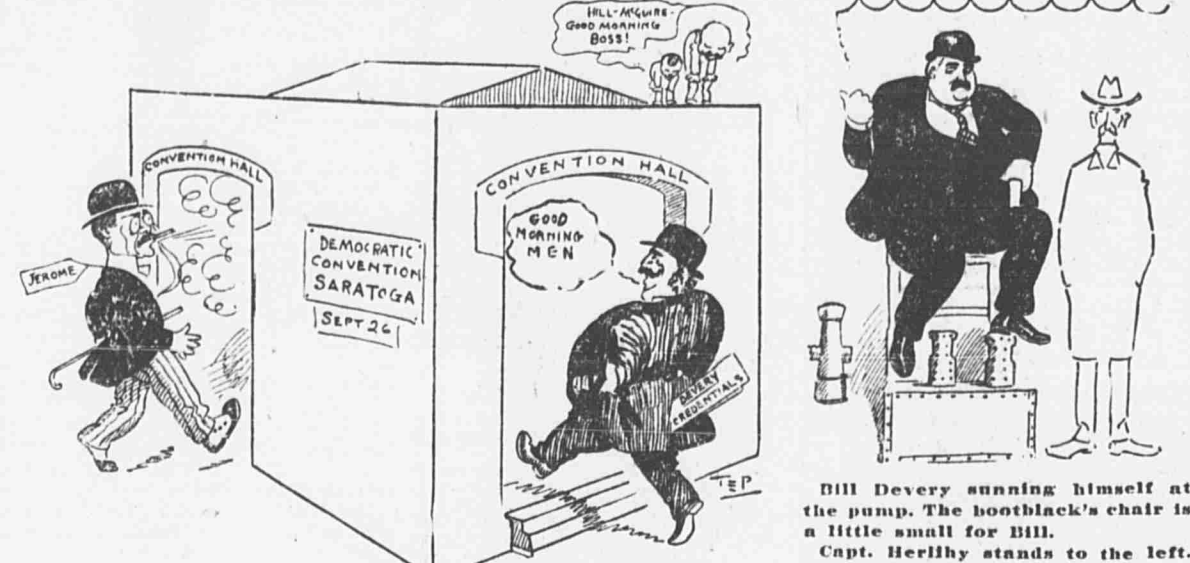
FARMERS HUNT WISE BEAR.

There is a bear loose somewhere in the mountains of West Milford township, in Passaic County, N. J., and farmers in that section are gunning for him. They were first attracted by what seemed to be bear tracks in the fields, but the identity of animal was not determined until about the other day, when Bruin entered the corn-field of J. J. Cross, at Harker's Pond, and some green corn and a quantity of vegetables.

DEVERY AT THE HEAD OF SEVEN BANDS WILL DELUGE SARATOGA WITH MUSIC.



DEVERY—I will flood Saratoga with music. I'll march down Broadway with a light, airy step at the head of my people with seven bands going—that will sweep everything. The boys like music and I'm going to give it to 'em; besides there's nothing like marching. It keeps you in good shape, that's right.



Devery says he and Jerome will attend the Democratic Convention at Saratoga.

to the late Civil Justice Stiner. The Ninth Assembly District lies entirely within the Eighth Judicial District and the choosing of delegates to the convention will offer Devery another chance to show his strength.

If his showing is not good without free beer and brass band accompaniments the Tammany Committee on Elections will probably order another primary in the district on the application of Frank Goodwin. Pending the special primary Devery will be kept out of the Executive Committee.

Devery said to-day:

Will Go There. "I will go to Saratoga, and it won't be one of them four trains of four-flushers that Plunkitt the Plunk has fixed for. I'm going to Saratoga, old sport, and you can tell yer folks that Bill Devery mayn't be received with the glad hand, but his train won't start with so many bottles of champagne and arrive with so many champagne bottles, but it'll arrive all right, and there ain't no ace-high McGuire nor any two-spot high can keep him out of the convention."

Just smoke up on that. I will go down Broadway with seven brass bands and make the native corn-bushers' eyes bulge. We'll carry everything along with us, Sheriff Worden included. The boys like music, and they like the kind of music that the Bill Devery band plays. Well show 'em some marching, too."

An Inward Smile. "Bill" smiled inwardly. His sides were agitated and the chair creaked.

"Say, sport, you might get up a picture of Jerome going into the hall by one door and Bill Devery going in another."

The Tammany Hall General Committee meets on Tuesday night to ratify the action of the Executive Committee in making Charles F. Murphy leader of the Tammany Hall. The meeting will also arrange for a convention in the Eighth Judicial District to choose a successor for "Roche salts."

Mrs. Crafton, of Nutley, N. J., Took Poison When Salts Had Been Suggested and Purchased, She Supposed.

(Special to The Evening World.) NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 22.—Investigation this afternoon revealed the fact that the death of Mrs. Margaret Crafton, of Nutley, who swallowed a dose of poison thinking it was roche salts, was due to the blunder of a drug clerk in selling it to a child on a written order for "Roche salts."

Last Thursday afternoon she visited the home of Mrs. John Froboe, on Chestnut street, and while there complained that she was suffering from indigestion. Mrs. Froboe is said to have advised her that roche salts would probably help, and she bought a box of salts from a drug clerk. The clerk stated that the case and Mrs. Crafton's death were due to roche salts.

One of Mrs. Froboe's children was detailed to purchase the medicine and was given a note which called for "Roche salt." The child went to Selfridge's pharmacy, and the drug clerk, W. C. Selfridge, is said to have waited on her. The note was given to the clerk, and in return the child received a box of salts.

Mrs. Crafton returned to the home of Elizabeth Post, on William street, that night, where she lived, and the next morning took a dose of the powder. Shortly afterward she complained of severe pain and death ensued. A suit for damages will be instituted against the drugist.

LIQUORS WERE OF WATER.

Magnus Larsen, the Democratic leader, who has the street cleaning contract for Long Island City, was before Magistrate Smith this morning to prosecute William Dilley, to whom he had sold his saloon in Long Island City on Saturday.

Dilley says that he paid Larsen \$500 for the saloon and that when he moved in he found that all of the bottles, instead of being filled with liquor, contained only water. This, he admitted, led to an argument.

Larsen exhibited a badly cut face and a discolored eye, where, he said, Dilley struck him with one of the water filled bottles. Dilley was held for examination.

Stern Brothers

Oriental Carpets & Silk Rugs

TO-MORROW & WEDNESDAY Third Floor

150 Persian & Turkish Carpets choice colorings and desirable sizes Value \$55.00 to 450.00 \$38.00 to \$375.00

75 Silk Rugs average size, 3 ft. 7 by 5 ft. 8, in pink, blue, light green, etc., for Floor Hangings, Covers and Decorations; Value \$85.00 to \$125.00 \$56.00

West Twenty-third Street.

OIL FOR LINER'S FUEL.

Kenington Makes a Successful Test with Petroleum.

The American line steamer Kenington arrived this morning from Southampton. The Kenington had been laid up at Newcastle, England, for a long time overhauling and installing a plant for the use of oil as fuel. On the way from Newcastle to Southampton the oil was used successfully, but as the plant was not quite ready for an extensive voyage the full test was put off until the return trip from this port.

JAMES MCGREERY & CO.

Upholstery Dep't.

4th Floor.

Lace Curtains and Draperies, including handsome specimens of Arab and Cluny laces. Bonne-femmes, Vestibule panels and Lace Bedsets on exhibition.

Hangings and wall coverings, in new, rich designs, created for the fall season.

Hand-made point Arabe Lacé Curtains.

13.50, 18.50 and 25.00 per pair.

Fine Renaissance Lace Curtains, mounted on scrim or net.

8.50, 9.75, 10.50 and 12.50.

500 fancy flounced lace bedsets, trimmed with Renaissance or Valenciennes edging and insertion.

3.75, 5.00 and 7.00 each.

1,500 yards, drapery and upholstery fabrics, 50 inches wide.

1.00, 1.50 and 2.25 per yard.

Fine brass bedsteads, heavily mounted.

25.00, 35.00 and 45.00.

Mattresses, pillows, bolsters and upholstered spring beds to order.

Interior decorations designed and executed by skilled artists and workmen.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.

Twenty-third Street.